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Serial No: 10/011/018 : Group Art Unit: 3762  
Filed: December 4, 2001 :  
For: " Methods and Devices for Reducing Integrated : Examiner: George C. Manuel  
Circuit Power Consumption in Implantable Cardiac  
Stimulation Devices"

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PETITION TO WITHDRAW NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT  
UNDER  
SECTION 711.03(c) OF THE MPEP

Dear Sir or Madame:

This Petition is submitted for consideration as instructed by the Attachment to the Notice of Abandonment. We received the Notice of Abandonment for the captioned case August 16, 2004.

This Notice of Abandonment was unexpected because on May 3, 2004, we sent a Request for Status regarding this case stating we have not received any office action in over two years and requested current status of the application. The accompanying postcard was stamped received by the USPTO mailroom on May 6, 2004. A copy of the Request for Status and postcard are enclosed. No response to this Request for Status was ever received.

The Notice of Allowance which the Notice of Abandonment said we never responded to was never received by our office. If we had received it, we would not have asked for status on May 3, 2004 and would have paid the issue fee.

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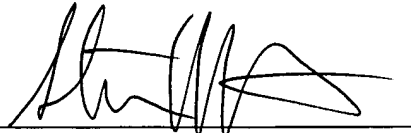
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Apparently, the Notice of Allowance was lost in the mail. It was not anyone's fault. Respectfully, please grant this Petition to Withdraw the Notice of Abandonment and re-mail the Notice of Allowance.

Please charge the Petition fee of \$130.00 to Account 22-0265 and for any additional fee required. A duplicate of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,



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